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A.—The Government are awaiting the proposals from the Board who, they understand, are examining them.

Rai Bahadur T. M. NARASIMHACHARLU :—" Sir, may I know what the proposals are that are referred to in the answer to question No. 386 ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD HABIB-UL-LAH SAHIB Bahadur :—" The answer given by me answers that supplementary question. The proposals are still in the hands of the Board of Revenue and have not reached the hands of Government."

Rai Bahadur T. M. NARASIMHACHARLU :—" I want to know what the proposals are."

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD HABIB-UL-LAH SAHIB Bahadur :—" The proposals are not in my hands. I cannot know what the proposals are until they reach my hands."

Rai Bahadur T. M. NARASIMHACHARLU :—" Will the hon. Member get the information from the Board ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD HABIB-UL-LAH SAHIB Bahadur :—" They will come to me in due course after they have been examined by the Board of Revenue."

Revenue districts in Anantapur, etc., districts.

387 *Q.*—Rai Bahadur T. M. NARASIMHACHARLU : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there are any proposals to redistribute the revenue districts of Anantapur, Cuddapah, Bellary, Kurnool, Chittoor and North Arcot ;

(*b*) if so, what they are ; and

(*c*) if not, whether the Government intend to call for proposals to reduce their number ?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) No such proposals have yet been placed before the Government.

(*c*) The answer is in the negative.

Telegraph offices for Pulivendla, Rayachoti and Badvel.

388 *Q.*—Rai Bahadur T. M. NARASIMHACHARLU : Will the hon. the Member for Finance be pleased to state when telegraph offices will be opened at Pulivendla, Rayachoti and Badvel ?

A.—The Government regret that they are not in a position to say when the telegraph offices will be opened. In replies to reminders received in the course of the month of October, the Postmaster-General said that the matter was still pending with the Director of Telegraph Engineering.

Reduction in the number of Executive Council Members.

389 *Q.*—Rai Bahadur T. M. NARASIMHACHARLU : Will the hon. the Member for Finance be pleased to state whether any orders have been received from the Secretary of State for India regarding the recommendation of this Council to reduce the number of the Members of the Executive Council ?

A.—No orders have been received.